

What is claimed is:

1 1(currently amended). A hand-held shower attachment having a
2 shower head that has a surface from which jets of water exit and a handgrip,
3 the handgrip being attached to the shower head at a location alongside the
4 surface from which jets of water exit, wherein the ratio of the length of the
5 handgrip to the maximum lateral dimension of the surface on the shower head
6 from which jets of water exit ranges from about 0.5 to one, and wherein the
7 shower head has a fitting for a shower hose on an end of the handgrip
8 opposite from the shower head and a union nut on an end of the shower hose,
9 wherein the union nut on the end of the shower hose has an outer surface
10 that is forms an extension flush with an outer surface of the handgrip, ~~the~~
11 ~~union nut having an outer surface that is flush with the outer surface of the~~
12 ~~handgrip, such that the handgrip~~ over the longitudinal length of the union
13 nut, such that the outer surface of the handgrip longitudinally is extended
14 by the outer surface of the union nut flush therewith.

1 2(previously presented). A shower attachment according to claim 1,
2 where a longitudinal axis of the handgrip is approximately parallel to the
3 surface on the showerhead from which jets of water exit.

3(canceled).

4(canceled).

1 5(previously presented). A shower attachment according to claim 1,
2 where the ratio of a depth of the shower head, measured in a direction normal
3 to the surface from which jets of water exit, to a diameter of the surface from
4 which jets of water exit, is approximately 0.25 to 0.5.

1 6(previously presented). A shower attachment according to claim 1,
2 where a perimeter of the surface from which jets of water exit has an
3 approximately oval shape.

1 7(previously presented). A shower attachment according to claim 1,
2 where a perimeter of the surface from which jets of water exit has a circular
3 shape.